

IMPROVED CULM BLOCK AND METHOD FOR FORMING THE SAME

Abstract

A culm block and a method of manufacture are disclosed. The culm
5 block comprises a plurality of straw stalks forming a first rigid wall and a
second rigid wall as a result of an application of heat and pressure to the
same and the inherent bonding agent found in the straw stalks. Preferably,
the culm block further comprises a plurality of through-holes for receiving
structural reinforcements or otherwise and a restraining device wrapped about
10 the block for added structural support.